

Small Group Discussion Guide

For the week of July 3 - 9, 2022

Main Thought and Scriptures:

(Break into groups of 3-5 to discuss. 50 minutes)

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.”

(Proverbs 3:5-6 ESV)

In every aspect of our lives, the good, the bad, the highs, and the lows, God wants us to trust in Him and His Word rather than in our own understanding. He also wants us to “acknowledge” Him and what He is doing IN us to shape us through every situation.

Often life gets busy and is filled with so much activity that we seldom pause to reflect on what God is teaching us and how we can trust in Him more.

When we fail to pause and reflect, we tend to deal with life based on our “own understanding,” bringing about negative consequences.

This week, we want to pause and reflect together to acknowledge what the Lord is doing in our lives and consider how we can better trust Him. His promise is to make our paths “straight” as we do.

Discussion Questions:

(Select the questions that best apply)

- Share a high point in this season of life. What is something that you are particularly grateful for or are rejoicing in? What do you think God is trying to teach you through this?
- Share a challenging aspect of this season of your life. What difficulties are you facing? How do you think God is trying to shape you through this?
- How is the Lord challenging you to trust in Him with “all your heart” through BOTH the highs and lows of this season of your life? Explain.

Prayer:

(Partner up to pray for one another. 10 minutes)

- Take turns praying for each other’s challenging situation, that we will all trust the Lord and let Him shape us through these difficult circumstances.
- Pray for one unreached friend or family member that God will use each of us to help them to come to trust in the Lord as well.